

To: Ostrander, David[Ostrander.David@epa.gov]
From: Spence, Sandra
Sent: Tue 8/25/2015 2:39:50 PM
Subject: FW: Draft Straw Man Monitoring Plan GKM

From: Spence, Sandra
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2015 8:34 AM
To: Williams, Laura
Subject: RE: Draft Straw Man Monitoring Plan GKM

Hey sorry Laura, I realized that my last email probably sounded terse. I'm not sure why Martin is asking the question he did in his email to you since he directed us to provide the draft to him prior to any release. I'm sure there is so much going on that folks can't keep track of all the moving parts – it's frustrating and I can't even imagine how it is for you right now. Anyway, thanks for all you are doing in Durango. Know that we really appreciate you and everyone else that is working so hard on this. The last thing I want to do is add to your frustration or stress, so I apologize if that is so. If you or others in Area Command have additions or comments, please let me know.

Thanks,

Sandie

From: Spence, Sandra
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2015 8:10 AM
To: Ostrander, David; Williams, Laura
Subject: FW: Draft Straw Man Monitoring Plan GKM

Direction given by Martin/Sandy to prepare a straw-man by COB last week for internal review. Dan Wall, Wendy O'Brien, Susan Griffin, Maggie Pierce, Karl Hermann others from incident command provided input and content – EP folks drafted document for input. It was sent to Area Command and Incident Command on Friday for input with request for comment by mid-day Monday. No comments received.

There was no expectation for state or local input at this point. In fact, clear expectation that

document would not be shared externally prior to R8 review. Just went out to other regions and HQ late yesterday.

From: Garcia, Bert
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2015 8:02 AM
To: Hestmark, Martin; Williams, Laura
Cc: Wharton, Steve; Ostrander, David; Spence, Sandra
Subject: RE: Draft Straw Man Monitoring Plan GKM

The post-incident, long-term monitoring plan developed by the WQ program is a first cut, so that others have something to respond to. The sequence of events has been:

- [REDACTED] R8 develops,
- [REDACTED] Share it internally for review (It was provided to Laura, Steve, and Bob B. Friday and to R's 6, 9, OEM and OW and ER again Monday);
- [REDACTED] receive comments (due COB Wednesday)
- [REDACTED] revise and send to locals, tribes and states for review. (later this week)

Tapering down the current monitoring, and hand-off to the longer –term monitoring, has been discussed b/n the response and water programs. Final decisions haven't been made, that I know of. Getting this plan out the door was a key step in forming that up.

Bert Garcia

Director, Ecosystems Protection Program

EPA Region 8

From: Hestmark, Martin
Sent: Monday, August 24, 2015 7:45 PM
To: Williams, Laura
Cc: Wharton, Steve; Ostrander, David; Garcia, Bert
Subject: Re: Draft Straw Man Monitoring Plan GKM

Yes and yes please

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 24, 2015, at 7:31 PM, Williams, Laura <williams.laura@epa.gov> wrote:

This draft was developed by Bert Garcia (primarily Sandy Spence) without Area Command involvement or input from Regions 6 or 9. I am unaware if Colorado or LaPlata County were involved. I will review it tonight. - lw

From: Hestmark, Martin
Sent: Monday, August 24, 2015 5:57 PM
To: Williams, Laura
Cc: Wharton, Steve; Edlund, Carl; Ostrander, David
Subject: Re: Draft Straw Man Monitoring Plan GKM

I presume unified command is involved and was wondering if we had coordinated with Colorado and Laplata county

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On Aug 24, 2015, at 4:49 PM, Williams, Laura <williams.laura@epa.gov> wrote:

Individuals from unified command have been involved, but they may not be the folks you are thinking of.

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On Aug 24, 2015, at 4:46 PM, Hestmark, Martin <Hestmark.Martin@epa.gov> wrote:

Sounds reasonable. Is CO and the county on board?

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On Aug 24, 2015, at 4:45 PM, Williams, Laura <williams.laura@epa.gov> wrote:

We weren't discontinuing but thought to decrease to twice per week (we have 16 days showing post-pulse concentrations equivalent to pre-pulse levels). This has caused significant discussion (sorry) and we are meeting with HQ (Dana Tulis) and the environmental units for

each region to discuss this topic in 5 minutes.

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On Aug 24, 2015, at 4:39 PM, Hestmark, Martin
<Hestmark.Martin@epa.gov> wrote:

Steve - Carl called today and was concerned we/R8 were going to discontinue water and sediment sampling before we had worked to establish a longer tr plan (coordinated with the other regions , stares and locals). Where are we on all of the sampling in light of this man development?

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Spence, Sandra" <Spence.Sandra@epa.gov>
Date: August 24, 2015 at 12:36:24 PM MDT
To: "Hestmark, Martin" <Hestmark.Martin@epa.gov>, "Stavnes, Sandra" <Stavnes.Sandra@epa.gov>
Cc: "Garcia, Bert" <Garcia.Bert@epa.gov>, "Hermann, Karl" <Hermann.Karl@epa.gov>, "Pierce, Maggie" <Pierce.Maggie@epa.gov>, "Wall, Dan" <wall.dan@epa.gov>
Subject: Draft Straw Man Monitoring Plan GKM

Hi All,

I have received no comments on the attached draft document. So Martin, I believe it is ready for your input if you have time. We would like to send this out to HQ and the other regions today to get things moving. Any objections? Please let me or Bert know. I think we'd like to send the draft around this afternoon.

Thanks,

Sandie

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